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Sir:

The patent application referred to above was filed in the U.S. Patent Office as a national application under 35 USC §371. Applicants have been notified that a copy of the international search report and copies of the references cited therein have been made available in the national stage file as indicated on the Notification of Acceptance of the Application Under 35 USC 371 (Form PTO/DO/EO/903). Therefore, copies of the documents cited in the international search report are not enclosed as these documents are already available in the national stage file. However, a form PTO-1449 listing the references is attached. In accordance with 37 CFR §1.56, Applicants hereby request that the references cited in the international search report and listed on the attached form PTO-1449 be made of record and considered in the examination of the subject application.

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Applicants respectfully assert that the substantive provisions of 37 CFR §§1.97 and 1.98 are met by the foregoing statement.

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